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Former CIA Aide Says Espionage 'Essential'

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The former inspector general of the Central Intelligence Agency said here last night that despite utopian ideas to the contrary, organized system of intelligence and espionage is essential to any nation.

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick, now a professor at Brown University in Providence, R. I., accused those responsible for revealing the CIA subsidy to the National Student Association of "other motives" and hinted that their action could be interpreted as "treason or subversion."

He claimed that the CIA funds were a "straight subsidy with no strings attached" leaving the CIA with "very little control over what they did or said or how they did it."

Cites NSA's Role

Kirkpatrick cited the importance of the NSA's role in representing the United States at international students meetings, many of them sponsored by the Soviets.

The greatest of these, he said, was the international student festival held in Moscow in 1957 at a cost of over \$100 million to the Soviet government. American representation at such conclaves assured the U.S. that our story was being told as well.

Referring again to the NSA "leak" Kirkpatrick told his audience at Assumption College that "in my sadder moments I sometimes wonder if we, Americans, can keep secrets." He said the controversy began when "an official in the NSA confided in a man who had business knowing who left the

NSA and wrote 56 pages for Ramparts magazine."

He said "what has been done has destroyed tens of millions of dollars worth of your assets. I think Moscow called a holiday when this happened."

Scores Press

Explaining that the controversy has precluded any success of the CIA's plan to permit the NSA to "actively strive to fight communism and communist youth movements," he scored those responsible, including the press, for causing a "national masochistic experience. There are other motives behind why these things come out," he said.

Kirkpatrick stressed that intelligence can be a tool for peace as well as for war. The idea of a strong national defense to prevent wars can also be applied to the work of the CIA.

He repeatedly emphasized that intelligence information is extremely important "if our policy makers use it wisely."

The lack of information, however, can be equally disastrous. Citing Pearl Harbor as an example, he said that if an organization like the CIA had existed, the Hawaiian base could have been prepared for the attack and properly defended.

During his 90-minute lecture, Kirkpatrick outlined the history of the CIA and its predecessors and explained some of its operations.

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